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	Department: Pharmacy Handling of Hazardous/Chemotherapeutic Drugs		

POLICY:

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that hazardous or chemotherapeutic agents are handled in the proper manner to minimize exposure to these agents.

PROCEDURE:

This policy applies to pharmacy personnel who handle hazardous or chemotherapeutic agents.

1. Hazardous agents include all HIV agents, Imuran, Megace, Nolvadex, and any other agents considered hazardous due to their potential for causing teratogenicity, carcinogenicity or mutagenicity.
 - A. Chemotherapeutic or hazardous agents will be dispensed in unit dose if available from the manufacture.
 - B. If unit dose is not available from the manufacturer, the pharmacy will dispense the agent in its original container.
 - C. The pharmacy will not compound or mix any hazardous or chemotherapeutic agents.
 - D. All hazardous or chemotherapeutic agents will be stored in an area designated as such.
 - E. Disposal of all hazardous or chemotherapeutic agents will be in containers labeled as hazardous waste.